EC-2624. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fire Penetration Resistance of Thermal/Acoustic Insulation Installed on Transport Category Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AI75)(Docket No. FAA-2006-24277)) received on July 18, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2625. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revision of Class E Airspace; Redmond, OR." ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. 06-ANM-5)) received on July 18, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2626. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Modification of Class E Airspace; Peru, IL" ((RIN2120-AA66)(Docket No. 07-AGL-1)) received on July 18, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2627. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; EADS SOCATA Model TBM 700 Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. 2006-CE-63)) received on July 18, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2628. A communication from the Program Analyst, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Learjet Model 45 Airplanes" ((RIN2120-AA64)(Docket No. 2007-NM-066)) received on July 18, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2629. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Economic Exclusive Zone Off Alaska; Deep-Water Species Fishery by Catcher Vessels in the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XA83) received on July 18, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2630. A communication from the Deputy Assistant Administrator for Regulatory Programs, National Marine Fisheries Service, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Final Rule to Extend the North Pacific Groundfish Observer Program Beyond 2007" (RIN0648-AU58) received on July 18, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2631. A communication from the Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Economic Exclusive Zone Off Alaska; Shallow-Water Species Fishery by Catcher Processors in the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XA91) received on July 18, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC\_2632. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Northern Rockfish, Pacific Ocean Perch, and Pelagic Shelf Rockfish for Catcher Vessels Participating in the Rockfish Limited Access Fishery in the Central Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska" (RIN0648-XA82) received on July 18, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2633. A communication from the Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Inseason Action, Temporary Rule, Closure of the Eastern U.S./Canada Area" (RIN0648–XA92) received on July 18, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2634. A communication from the Program Analyst, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "FMVSS No. 202 Reconsideration of Technical Issues" (RIN2127-AJ96) received on July 18, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation

EC-2635. A communication from the Assistant Secretary for Communications and Information, National Telecommunications and Information Administration, Department of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Public Safety Interoperable Communications Grant Program" (RIN0660-ZA17) received on July 18, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2636. A communication from the Program Analyst, National Highway Traffic Safety Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Early Warning Reporting Clarifying Amendments" (RIN2127-AJ94) received on July 18, 2007; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2637. A communication from the Secretary of Energy, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report relative to the Department's plan to expand the Strategic Petroleum Reserve to one billion barrels; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

EC-2638. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's performance report for fiscal year 2006 relative to the Animal Drug User Fee Act; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-2639. A communication from the Secretary of Health and Human Services, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's performance report for fiscal year 2006 relative to the Medical Device User Fee and Modernization Act; to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions.

EC-2640. A communication from the Chief Counsel, Federal Emergency Management Agency, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Suspension of Community Eligibility" (72 FR 34630) received on July 18, 2007; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-2641. A communication from the Associate General Counsel for General Law, Department of Homeland Security, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination for the position of Assistant Administrator of Grant Programs, received on July 18, 2007; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-2642. A communication from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Semiannual Report of the Department's Inspector General for the period of October 1, 2006, through March 31, 2007; to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.

EC-2643. A communication from the Deputy General Counsel and Designated Reporting Official, Office of National Drug Control Policy, Executive Office of the President, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a nomination for the position of Deputy Director of National Drug Control Policy, received on July 18, 2007; to the Committee on the Judiciary.

## EXECUTIVE REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following executive reports of nominations were submitted:

By Mr. DODD for the Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs.

\*Bijan Rafiekian, of California, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Export-Import Bank of the United States for a term expiring January 20, 2011.

\*Diane G. Farrell, of Connecticut, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Export-Import Bank of the United States for a term expiring January 20, 2011.

\*William Herbert Heyman, of New York, to be a Director of the Securities Investor Protection Corporation for a term expiring December 31, 2007 vice Deborah Doyle McWhinney, term expired.

\*Mark S. Shelton, of Kansas, to be a Director of the Securities Investor Protection Corporation for a term expiring December 31, 2008.

\*William S. Jasien, of Virginia, to be a Director of the Securities Investor Protection Corporation for a term expiring December 31, 2009.

\*William Herbert Heyman, of New York, to be a Director of the Securities Investor Protection Corporation for a term expiring December 31, 2010.

By Mr. INOUYE for the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

\*National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration nomination of Jonathan W. Bailey, to be Rear Admiral.

\*National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration nomination of Philip M. Kenul, to be Rear Admiral (lower half).

\*Nomination was reported with recommendation that it be confirmed subject to the nominee's commitment to respond to requests to appear and testify before any duly constituted committee of the Senate.

## INTRODUCTION OF BILLS AND JOINT RESOLUTIONS

The following bills and joint resolutions were introduced, read the first and second times by unanimous consent, and referred as indicated:

By Mrs. CLINTON (for herself, Mrs. BOXER, Mrs. FEINSTEIN, Mrs. MURRAY, and Mr. SCHUMER):

S. 1816. A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to establish a commemorative trail in connection with the Women's Rights National Historical Park to link properties that are historically and thematically associated with the struggle for women's suffrage, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

By Mr. OBAMA (for himself, Mr. Bond, Mrs. McCaskill, Mrs. Boxer, Mrs. Murray, Mr. Lieberman, Mr. Durbin, Mr. Johnson, and Mr. Whitehouse):

S. 1817. A bill to ensure proper administration of the discharge of members of the Armed Forces for personality disorder, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Armed Services.

By Mr. OBAMA:

S. 1818. A bill to amend the Toxic Substances Control Act to phase out the use of mercury in the manufacture of chlorine and caustic soda, and for other purposes; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

By Mr. DORGAN (for himself, Ms. Mur-KOWSKI, and Mr. BIDEN):

S. 1819. A bill to amend the Adam Walsh Child Protection and Safety Act of 2006 to